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RE:

FAA Docket No. 2002-13378

NPRM -- Reports on Incidents Involving Animals

Dear Sir or Madam:

Continental Airlines is aware of the above-captioned Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Based on our initial preliminary review, it is clear to us that there are a number of questions and issues which will be the subject of substantive comments.

As you know, this NPRM only provides for a thirty (30) day comment period. In order to more carefully review and analyze this NPRM, as well as to conduct the necessary internal coordination to insure that all issues are identified and all pertinent comments presented to the FAA, it is necessary to have additional time in which to prepare a response to the FAA. Therefore, we request that the comment period associated with this NPRM be extended for an additional ninety (90) days.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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